

## CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS****LOS ANGELES TURF CLUB, INC.****Santa Anita Park****To the California Horse Racing Board**

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For the period: Thursday, March 27, 2008 through Monday, March 31, 2008.

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**MINUTES – FOURTEENTH WEEK of SANTA ANITA****THURSDAY**03/27/08<sup>1</sup>**FILM REVIEW**

Jockey MIKE SMITH met with the stewards this morning to discuss his winning ride in the third race on Monday, during which he had to bump a rival at the quarter pole to create running room. Films show that Mr. Smith finds himself behind horses with jockey Martin Pedroza to his outside entering the stretch. Mr. Smith angles his mount out and makes contact with the horse to his outside, which affords him the opportunity to have a clear opening and win the race. The majority cautioned him to do a smoother job in the future, whereas Steward Chaney voted for a three day suspension.

Apprentice jockey JOSE CAMPOS met with the stewards to discuss his ride in Monday's eighth race which he won. In so doing, Mr. Campos cut it a little close crossing in front of the eventual third place finisher. While the stewards did not believe that this act in and of itself was sufficient to warrant days, we explained that a series of these small issues will add up over time, potentially resulting in a suspension.

03/27/08<sup>2</sup>**VAN BERG COMPLAINT**

Exercise rider Guadalupe Leyte met with the stewards concerning a complaint he filed against trainer JACK VAN BERG for unpaid fees for ponying horses to the races (case 08SA111). Mr. Van Berg had called a couple of days ago, informing the stewards that he would be out of town and could not attend the hearing. He acknowledged owing part of the bill, and upon his return will communicate with the stewards in order to establish a financial agreement.

03/27/08<sup>3</sup>**BARICEVIC HEARING**

The stewards met with complainant JAMES SAYLER, who appeared in person, and respondent MARGARET BARICEVIC by telephone in order to mediate a financial complaint concerning unpaid training expenses (case 08SA105). Some progress was made but many issues are still left to be resolved. The parties agreed to speak privately on Monday in order to attempt some mutually beneficial resolution. More to follow.

03/27/08<sup>4</sup>**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1 <sup>st</sup> Race	No changes
2 <sup>nd</sup> Race	#1 Celebration – weight should be 120 #3 Bel Air Sizzle – weight should be 112 #4 Gemstone Jean – weight should be 120
3 <sup>rd</sup> Race	#5 Aggressive – Claimed - K. Mulhall, trainer Refund \$175.00
4 <sup>th</sup> Race	#7 Our Genius – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Bailey Refund \$496.40
5 <sup>th</sup> Race	#2 Onefunsonofagun – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Bailey #1 Respecttheofficer – Claimed - J. Metz, trainer Refund \$1,379.72
6 <sup>th</sup> Race	#6 Siempre Distante – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Connor #11 Tox Dee Bee – Stewards' scratch, also eligible #1 Saxophone – clipped heels, pulled up, walked off (turf) Refund \$1,793.10
7 <sup>th</sup> Race	#2 Partywithlarryz – Stewards' scratch, shock wave Refund \$749.60
8 <sup>th</sup> Race	#1 Texas Dolly – Claimed – R. Becerra, trainer

03/27/08<sup>5</sup>**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	3,935	\$1,066,801.50
Inter-track	6,554	2,026,256.50
Out of state	n/a	3,959,131.36
Total	10,489	7,052,189.36

**FRIDAY**03/28/08<sup>1</sup>**TIMPHONY SETTLEMENT**

Owner VICENT TIMPHONY stopped by the stewards' office today with notarized evidence of a settlement he negotiated with complainant Jamie Williams (case 07SA065), resolving a financial dispute. After speaking with Ms. Williams, the stewards closed the case.

03/28/08<sup>2</sup>**PEARSON RULING**

The stewards were informed by the receiving barn that trainer MOLLY PEARSON, through her veterinarian, had submitted a lasix request for her horse entered to run tomorrow. Clearly this was after entry time and in contravention of the lasix rule. After a discussion with Ms. Pearson, the stewards allowed the horse to be placed on the authorized bleeder list and issued the following ruling:

**LATS #175**

Trainer MOLLY PEARSON is fined THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS\* (\$300.00) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1845 (a) (Authorized Bleeder Medication) at Santa Anita Park on March 26, 2008.

03/28/08<sup>3</sup>**SADLER RULING**

The following ruling was published after the receiving barn informed the stewards that trainer JOHN SADLER had entered a horse for Thursday's card that was ineligible because he was on the shockwave list. The horse was therefore scratched.

**LATS #174**

Trainer JOHN SADLER is fined THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1629 (Penalty for Late Declaration) for causing the late declaration of "Partywithlarryz" from the seventh race at Santa Anita Park on March 27, 2008.

03/28/08<sup>4</sup>**INQUIRY – NO CHANGE**

The stewards posted the inquiry sign to examine an incident at the furlong marker of this two furlong race in which #5 Seismometer, under Martin Pedroza, lugs in badly causing some interference to the two horses to his inside.

Films show that as #5 Seismometer drifts in, #4 Conclusive has to steady and angle out to avoid clipping heels, while #3 El Navigante has to steady to avoid being herded into the inside fence. After speaking with the patrol judges and riders involved, the stewards voted to make no change to the original order of finish. In our opinion, while #5 Seismometer clearly causes interference, neither of the two horses with which he interfered were cost the opportunity at better placings.

03/28/08<sup>5</sup>**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

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| 1 <sup>st</sup> Race | #2 Got Tobe Rio – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Bailey<br>Refund \$1,041.96                                       |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Race | #2 Courtly Jazz – Claimed – J. Carava, trainer<br>#5 Glimmering Pete – Claimed – G. Sherlock, trainer<br>Refund \$18.00 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Race | No changes; Refund \$146.00   |

- 4<sup>th</sup> Race #5 Enlightened Lady – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Bailey  
Refund \$764.80; Minus Pool \$4.78
- 5<sup>th</sup> Race #9 Comoros – Stewards' scratch, also eligible  
#10 South Coast - Stewards' scratch, also eligible  
#11 Sir Bell - Stewards' scratch, also eligible  
#13 Fantastic Meeting - Stewards' scratch, also eligible  
#14 Super Harmony - Stewards' scratch, also eligible  
Refund \$3,452.38
- 6<sup>th</sup> Race #5 Unforeseen – Late veterinarian scratch, gate – Dr. Bailey  
#1 Bertrando's Love – fell past wire, walked off (synthetic)  
Refund \$98,211.80
- 7<sup>th</sup> Race #1 Brother Derek – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Connor  
#8 Double Galore – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Guillen  
Refund \$4,848.04
- 8<sup>th</sup> Race #3 Musical High (IRE) - Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Bailey  
#2 Heathersdaddysbaby – Claimed - M. Mitchell, trainer  
Refund \$5,216.34

03/28/08<sup>6</sup>**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	3,427	\$1,018,967.00
Inter-track	5,828	1,857,054.90
Out of state	n/a	5,011,296.12
Total	9,255	7,887,318.02

**SATURDAY**  
03/29/08<sup>1</sup>

**FILM REVIEW**

Jockey CHANTAL SUTHERLAND met with the stewards to review her ride in the fifth race yesterday, in which several horses had trouble going into the first turn of a mile turf race. Upon review of the films, it became clear that there were several factors that led to the incident, and that while Ms. Sutherland might have handled the situation a little bit better, it did not constitute careless riding.

03/29/08<sup>2</sup>**FAILURE TO APPEAR RULINGS**

The stewards issued three rulings when the respondents failed to appear. Each complaint was filed by Equine Medical and Surgical Group for unpaid veterinary bills. Owners DANIEL STEWART BROWN (case 08SA108), JOHN MIKE KALLAS (case 08SA107) and JAMES MICHAEL DEMONACO (case 08SA106) were all suspended in the following rulings:

**LATS #176**

Owner JAMES MICHAEL DEMONACO, having failed to appear before the Board of Stewards to answer a complaint alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility) is suspended pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear).

During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of James Michael Demonaco are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend or Fine), subject is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

**LATS #177**

Owner JOHN MIKE KALLAS, having failed to appear before the Board of Stewards to answer a complaint alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility) is suspended pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear).

During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of John Mike Kallas are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend or Fine), subject is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

**LATS #178**

Owner DANIEL STEWART BROWN, having failed to appear before the Board of Stewards to answer a complaint alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility) is suspended pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear).

During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of Daniel Stewart Brown are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend or Fine), subject is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

03/29/08<sup>3</sup>**INQUIRY – NO CHANGE**

The stewards posted the inquiry sign after the running of the first race to examine an incident in which the third place finisher takes up slightly approaching the wire. Films demonstrated that #7 Living Our Dream, the second place finisher ridden by Brice Blanc, does drift out slightly, causing his rival to steady.

After speaking with the patrol judges and riders involved, however, it was the stewards' opinion that #3 Boowoogeemalia, was not cost the opportunity at a better placing, and therefore no change was appropriate.

03/29/08<sup>4</sup>**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1 <sup>st</sup> Race	#4 Outer Space – Rider change – D. Cayo for Matt Garcia (personal issue) Refund \$79.00; Minus Pool \$487.64
2 <sup>nd</sup> Race	#12 Refusal – Stewards' scratch, also eligible #5 Summer Survivor – Claimed – M. Pender, trainer #10 Can't Stop Slew – Claimed – C. Stutts, trainer Refund \$684.20
3 <sup>rd</sup> Race	#1 Surely a Hit – Late veterinarian scratch, unsound – Dr. Bailey #2 Happy Prayer – Claimed – C. Lewis, trainer Refund \$42,859.50
4 <sup>th</sup> Race	#6 Hug of Wells (ARG) - Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Bailey #2 Seven Secrets – Claimed – H. Palma, trainer #5 Full In – Claimed – J. Hollendorfer, trainer Refund \$300.20
5 <sup>th</sup> Race	No changes; Refund \$19.00; Minus Pool \$2.74
6 <sup>th</sup> Race	No changes; Refund \$35.00
7 <sup>th</sup> Race	#4 Recuerdo Pia (BRZ) – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Bailey Refund \$880.00

8<sup>th</sup> Race #6 Mr. Sean H – Rider change – J. Scott for F. Fong (sick)  
Refund \$134.00

9<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$31.00

10<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$158.90

11<sup>th</sup> Race #7 Eminent Honor – Veterinarian scratch, unsound – Dr. Bailey  
Refund \$1315.00

03/29/08<sup>5</sup>**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	10,287	\$2,652,063.30
Inter-track	10,040	3,835,177.00
Out of state	n/a	8,981,563.12
Total	20,327	15,468,823.42

**SUNDAY**03/30/08<sup>1</sup>**FILM REVIEW**

Jockey BRICE BLANC met with the stewards to discuss his ride in the first race in which his second place finishing ride was the subject of an inquiry. A review of the films with Mr. Blanc revealed that his horse drifted out slightly in deep stretch, and that he made some effort to prevent this action. The stewards therefore cautioned him to make a better effort in the future.

Jockey GERRY OLGUIN met with the stewards to discuss his ride in yesterday's sixth race in which films revealed that Mr. Olguin shifted his horse out early in the stretch, causing the rider aboard #2 Smokin' Stogies to steady. This incident was not the subject of an inquiry. While the majority felt that Mr. Olguin did not deserve days, partly due to his spotless riding record, Steward Chaney believed that three suspension days were appropriate.

Apprentice jockey JOSE CAMPOS met with the stewards to discuss his rides in the third and fourth races yesterday. Although the perceived mistakes in these two races were again minor ones, the stewards believe that Mr. Campos' riding needs to improve, and explained to him that even small mistakes will be looked at cumulatively. We cautioned him that a lack of improvement would result in suspension days in the near future.

Jockey JOEL ROSARIO met with the stewards to discuss his ride in the tenth race yesterday in which his mount appeared to force a rival into the inside fence in mid-stretch on the turf course. Mr. Rosario's mount finished behind this rival and therefore the incident was not the subject on an inquiry. Films show that Mr. Rosario allows his mount to drift down toward the rail causing the rival to his inside to steady and hit the fence. Films also showed that the horse to his outside may have played some part in this drift. This factor moved the majority to allow Mr. Rosario to escape with no suspension, while Steward Chaney believed a three day suspension was in order.

03/30/08<sup>2</sup>**LEWIS RULING**

The receiving barn informed the stewards that trainer LISA LEWIS had submitted an authorized bleeder application for her runner on Saturday after entries had closed. As is now the practice, the horse was placed on the lasix list, but Ms. Lewis was fined in the following ruling:

**LATS #179**

Trainer LISA LEWIS is fined THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS\* (\$300.00) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1845 (a) (Authorized Bleeder Medication) at Santa Anita Park on March 29, 2008.

03/30/08<sup>3</sup>**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Race #8 Rare Chant – Rider change – V. Espinoza for D. Flores (flight issues)  
Refund \$224.00
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Race #2 Mo's Pocolino – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Connor  
#4 Larry by the Lake – Claimed – W. Ward, trainer  
#6 The Supply Program – Claimed – F. Monteleone, trainer  
Refund \$723.70
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$222.82
- 4<sup>th</sup> Race #3 Forest Melody – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Connor  
#4 Black Mamba (NZ) – Rider change – J. Valdivia for G. Gomez (flight issues)  
#5 Diamond Diva (GB) – Rider change – M. Smith for D. Flores  
Refund \$2,001.70; Minus Pool \$12,193.34
- 5<sup>th</sup> Race #3 Cry Me No River – Claimed – M. Polanco, trainer
- 6<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$93.00
- 7<sup>th</sup> Race #2 Soupy – Rider change – C. Sutherland for D. Flores  
#9 Raise the Heat – Rider change – J. Valdivia for G. Gomez  
#4 Samwise – Rider change – J. Campos for V. Espinoza  
Refund \$593.16
- 8<sup>th</sup> Race #7 Crown of Diamonds – Stewards' scratch, stake  
#4 Dawn Before Dawn – Rider change – Martin Garcia for G. Gomez  
Refund \$2,090.46
- 9<sup>th</sup> Race #4 Let's Go Shopping – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Bailey  
#9 Famous Baby – Rider change – G. Olguin for D. Flores  
Refund \$3,858.34
- 10<sup>th</sup> Race #4 Stomp Dance – Claimed – M. Conlon, trainer  
#13 Military Power - Claimed – M. Machowsky, trainer  
Refund \$100.82

03/30/08<sup>4</sup>**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	8,974	\$2,321,792.50
Inter-track	8,959	3,088,433.70
Out of state	n/a	6,433,184.12
Total	17,933	11,843,410.32

**MONDAY**03/31/08<sup>1</sup>**STUTE RULING**

Trainer GARY STUTE met with the stewards informally this morning to discuss a complaint filed by the CHRB (case number 08SA120) involving the failure to report a first time gelding. Although Mr. Stute did acknowledge the mistake and recognized the warnings on the overnight, he nevertheless took the opportunity to complain about the injustice of the overbearing responsibilities foisted upon trainers by the oppressive CHRB. He then accepted the following ruling:

**LATS #180**

Trainer GARY STUTE is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS\* (\$500.00) for failure to properly report the gelding of the horse "In the Day", which ran in the eighth race at Santa Anita Park on March 20, 2008. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1865 (Altering of Sex of Horse).

03/31/08<sup>2</sup>**TRIPLE B FARMS DISMISSAL**

Case number 08SA118, a financial complaint filed by Dr. Melinda Blue against Triple B Farms for veterinary services, was dismissed when the bill was paid in full.

03/31/08<sup>3</sup>**INQUIRY / OBJECTION - DISQUALIFICATION**

Following the running of the fourth race, the stewards posted the inquiry sign to examine the erratic stretch run of the winner, #9 Mud Sweat 'n Tears. The inquiry involved third place finisher #3 True Suggestion. In addition, jockey Richard Migliore aboard fourth place finisher #2 Forgiveandforget, claimed foul against the winner.

A review of the films revealed that the winner, ridden by Tyler Baze, ducks out around the sixteenth pole, but is clear of his rivals. However, the horse then ducks in, causing the third place finisher to steady sharply and the fourth place finisher to steady. At this point, the winner is not clear. While third place finisher #3 True Suggestion is beaten by two lengths, he was even with the second place finisher at the time of the incident and finishing strongly, therefore in the stewards' opinion, was cost the opportunity at a better placing. Thus, after speaking with the patrol judges and riders involved, the winner was disqualified and placed third. Mr. Migliore's claim of foul was dismissed because in the stewards' view, his mount was not cost the opportunity at a better placing.

Original order of finish: (9)-6-3-2-1-4-8-7-5  
 Corrected order of finish: 6-3-(9)-2-1-4-8-7-5



**03/31/08<sup>4</sup>      DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Race      No changes; Refund \$26.00
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Race      #8 Be Happy for Us – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Bailey  
 #7 Humidity – pulled up past wire, walked off (synthetic)  
 Refund \$342.70; Minus Pool \$192.24
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Race      #6 Noi (AUS) – Late veterinarian scratch, flipped in paddock – Dr. Bailey  
 Refund \$9,680.34
- 4<sup>th</sup> Race      #5 Midnite Babee – Rider change – J. Scott for P. Atkinson (sick)  
 Refund \$213.12
- 5<sup>th</sup> Race      #1 Spanish Heat – Claimed – A. Sherman, trainer  
 #11 Rapid Goose – Claimed – J. Sadler, trainer  
 Refund \$206.52
- 6<sup>th</sup> Race      #11 Isabella's Crown – stewards' scratch, also eligible  
 #12 Wearehaving Funyet - stewards' scratch, also eligible  
 #13 Warren's R Ready – stewards' scratch, also eligible  
 #14 Storming Slew - stewards' scratch, also eligible  
 #4 Unusual Spirit – Rider change – J. Talamo for A. Solis (sick)  
 Refund \$2,240.16
- 7<sup>th</sup> Race      #4 Sangay – Rider change – M. Smith for A. Solis
- 8<sup>th</sup> Race      #1 Currency Trader – Claimed - M. Marlow, trainer  
 #3 Hemet – Claimed – K. Mulhall, trainer  
 #10 Wilburs Mr. Ed – Claimed - J. Hollendorfer, trainer

**3/31/08<sup>5</sup>      DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	3,901	\$1,232,512.20
Inter-track	6,049	2,066,385.80
Out of state	n/a	4,647,049.08
Total	9,951	7,945,947.08

**W E E K L Y   S U M M A R Y**

**ATTENDANCE REPORT** - The full Board of Stewards was in session for the entire week,  
 including Assistant Steward Luis Jauregui.

**VETERINARIAN'S LIST**

**Week of   03/24/08-03/30/08**

Horses on Vet List	24
Horses off Vet List	13
Shock Wave Therapy	10
Deceased	3

**SUMMARY**

	Thur. 27Mar	Fri. 28Mar	Sat. 29Mar	Sun. 30Mar	Mon. 31Mar	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>	6
Cal-Bred Races	2	1	1	0	3	<b>7</b>	68
Claims	3	3	5	5	5	<b>21</b>	220
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	1	<b>1</b>	9
Inquiries	0	1	1	0	2	<b>4</b>	37
Refunds	5	8	11	9	6	<b>34</b>	346
Rulings	0	2	3	1	1	<b>7</b>	180

Respectfully submitted,

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C. Scott Chaney, Steward

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Albert Christiansen, Steward

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Tom Ward, Steward

BOS:CSC/dm